

II. REMARKS

This amendment is filed to improve the form, but not effect the scope, of claims 1-42, as allowed.

In compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.312 Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner enter the above-referenced amendments because: (1) the amendments are needed for proper protection of the invention; and (2) entering the amendments directed solely to formal matters requires no substantial amount of additional work on the part of the Patent Office.

More specifically, the amendment to claim 5 is to correspond the language of the Examiner's Amendment for this claim in the Notice of Allowability, with the Examiner's Amendments for the similar recitation in claims 30, 31 and 32, i.e., add the term "when".

As for claim 26, this amendment merely deletes a redundancy.

The proposed amended claims 5 and 26 require no additional search or examination.

Finally, the amendments to claims 5 and 26 were not presented earlier because the errors included therein, as allowed, were not discovered until very recently.

III. CONCLUSION

For the foregoing reasons, applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner enter this amendment.

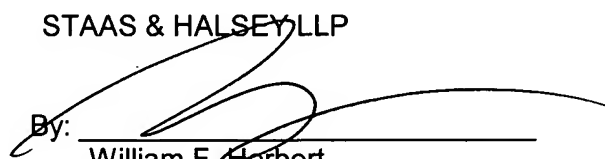
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